

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ  
In the name of Allah, the most Gracious, the most Merciful

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# Closer

by aa

*your curated weekly spiritual booster delivered straight to your Inbox*

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*you don't need to feel*  
GOOD TO GET GOING.  
*you need to get going*  
TO GIVE YOURSELF A  
*chance at feeling good.*

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Assalammualaikum my Champions,  
(and a special hello to our baby Champs!)

I've learned for a while now that depending on my mood to do anything is a quick way for failure. I know that if I rely on "feelings" to

write my '**Tuesday Love Letters**', I would probably have to re-name it to '**once-in-a-while** Love Letters'. If I wait to be motivated, I'll never start exercising or take better care of myself... and the list goes on.

I believe it is the same with our faith - we cannot wait to be perfect and sinless before we start praying our 5 daily prayers. We start where we are, even if we have to struggle and crawl to the prayer mat. Every small step counts - our shaky Quran recitations, our imperfect Hijab, our disjointed Duas - it still counts. It counts because we showed up, and an imperfect good deed is always better than NO DEED AT ALL.

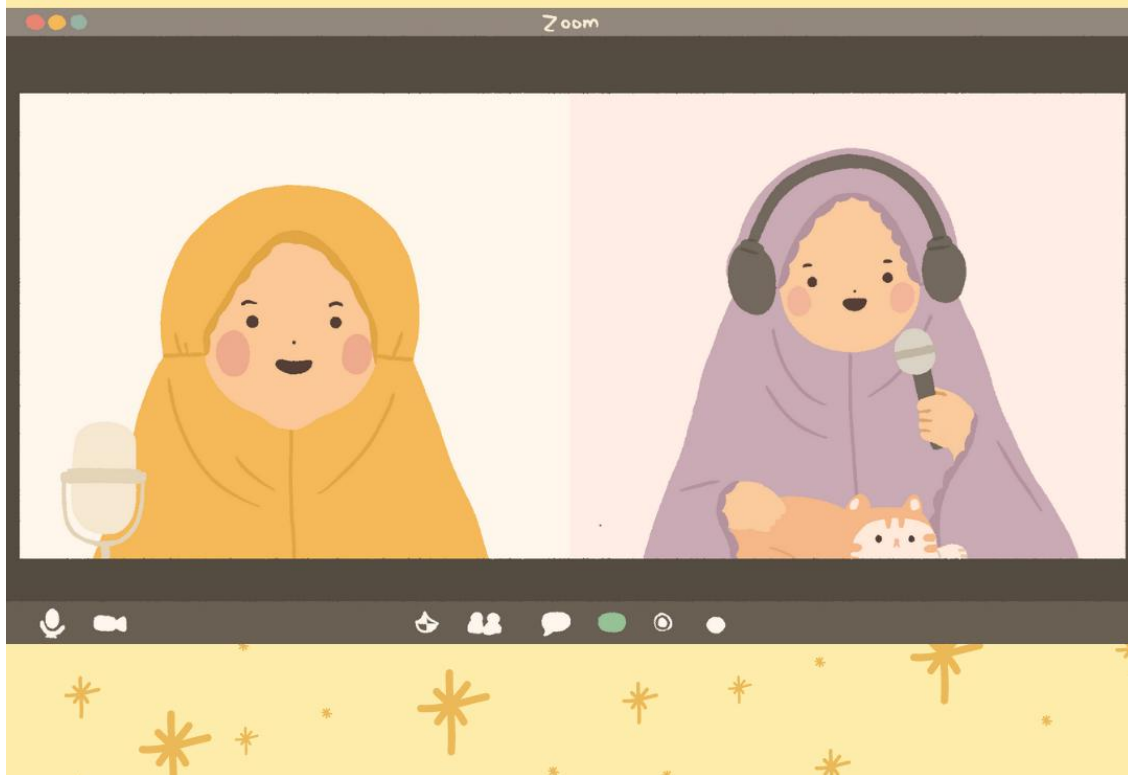
So here's a challenge, Champs: do something today in favour of the person you want to become. Take that action and vote for your better self, because it will feel soooooo goooooood. And then keep showing up and keep going. Because it's only in taking action and in doing that you actually feel better.

And you know what's the best part? It is that Allah SWT sees every tiny effort, and He rewards every single one of them! In abundance, in ways you cannot even imagine, and in the most generous way.  
#goosebumps.

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*This week on aa plus*

# Q&A with Ustazah 'Alimatussana



Saturday | 28th August | 9pm SG / 2 pm UK

If you guys remember, I mentioned how our TKV Classes are now structured in a way where every curriculum will span a duration of 3 months to allow us to go in-depth on the topics being taught. Since we have now finished this "semester's" [Allah's Beautiful Names](#), it is now time to sit with Ustazah 'Alima for the "season finale", aka the Live Q&A Session, this Saturday (28th of August) In Sha Allah! Clear your schedule for this special session so you can bask in her light and get some "spiritual shower"! There will also be games and other fun activities, so please join us!

PS: Baby Champs, you don't have to prepare anything for this ok? But Senior Champs! Get ready and revise! There will be a quiz :P

[Join The Session Here](#)

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a beautiful Dua

Ya Allah, allow  
me to be  
grateful for my  
failures, and to  
learn from my  
mistakes.

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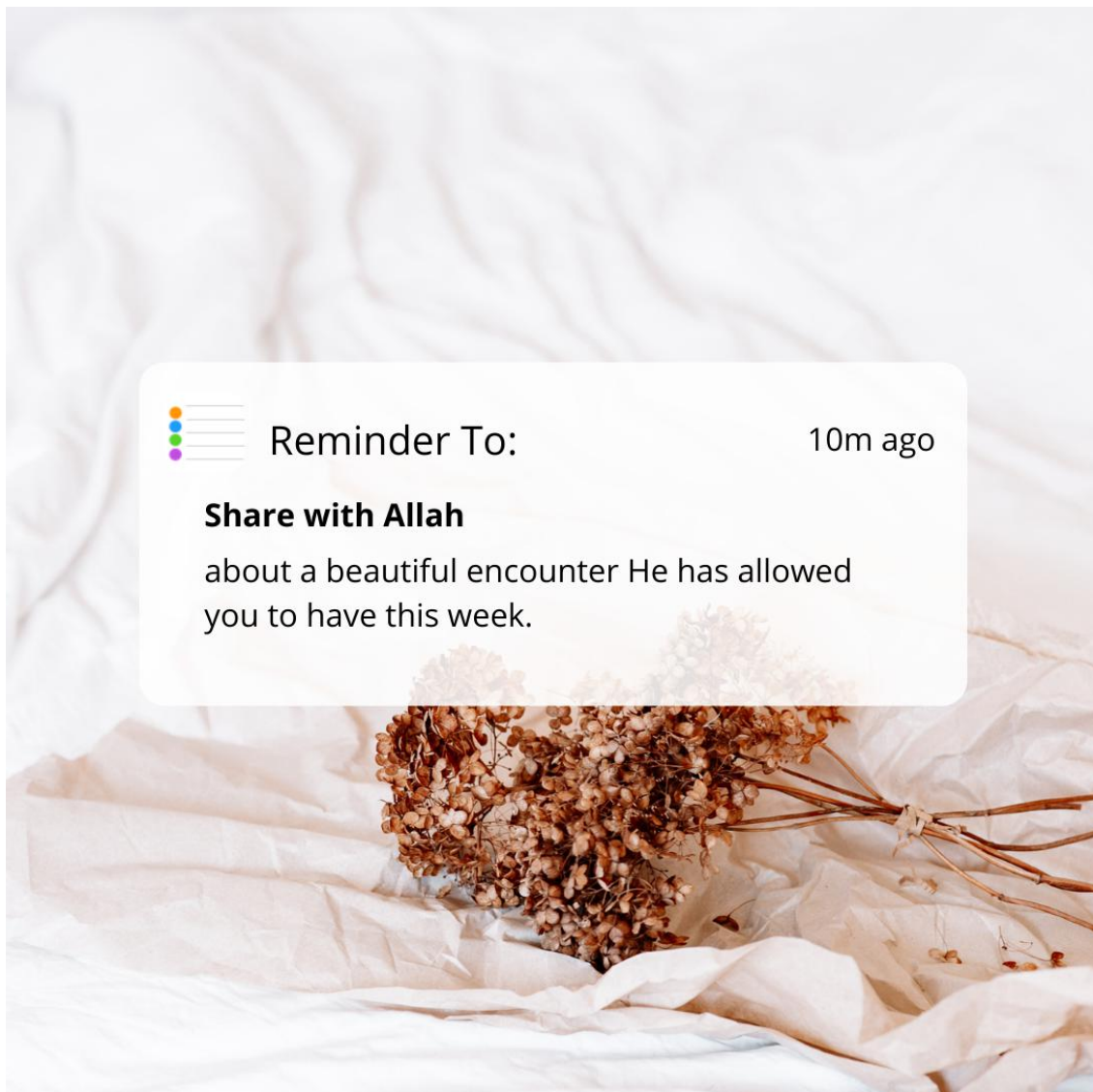
#abeautifuldua

One of the things that stop us from taking action is the fear of failure, and this is completely human. But recently, I've learned something cool about "failing". When I fail, I'm actually failing **forward**, and never behind. Because I would have learned something important from it, and I can now have a second go at things but this time, I'm armed with the lessons I've gained from that supposed "failure". Most importantly, I would have moved **forward as I am no longer stuck in the same position of not starting**. Society has

brainwashed us into thinking that failures are bad, but Allah SWT has taught us that there is a purpose to every pain. He will never let us go through something without actually having an EPIC PLAN for us.

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*share with Allah*



I shared in the Tadarus session yesterday about this taxi driver who absolutely made my day because of his cheerful disposition. (If you would like the playback, just reply to this email so we can send it to you ok?) I shared with the ladies how his smile, his humming, and his joyful attitude made such an impact on me that he reminded me as

Muslims, we should always be smiling and be a "light" to the people around us, just like how Rasulullah SAW was! I'm always in awe of how Allah SWT weaves certain individuals in our lives to teach us things, and this taxi driver was definitely one of them. So today, share with Allah SWT about some of the beautiful encounters He has surprised you with, and make a prayer that He will always plant good people your way!

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*a good deed to try*

Check up on  
a loved one



I always feel so loved when friends text me a simple message like, "thinking of you today!". It doesn't take much to check up on a loved one, so honour anyone who crosses your heart by saying hello. Pro-tip:

before texting them, try making a dua for them and talking to Allah SWT about them first. As He was the One who has beautifully placed them in your lives ❤️. You never know how a sincere dua and a simple message can make a difference in one's life.

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*Muslim Meme*

**eithar**

@Eiithaar

i call this stage of life: "ya rab pls"

ME.RIGHT.NOW. But really, I hope this is the stage of my life all the time, because I can't do anything without Him. PS: What do **you** call this stage of your life?

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*Something to Ponder*

Calmness  
is a state  
of trust.



I always envy people who are soooooo calm. I've always thought it's something that only "special people" have. But I've come to learn that the calmest people I know actually have the strongest trust with Allah SWT. They trust Allah so much that no matter what happens in their lives, they know it is all part of Allah's impeccable plans for them. So now, when I find myself anxious or agitated, I reel myself back in and I ask myself, "Do you trust Allah? If you do, breathe. If you don't, who then will you trust?"

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## ending it with His Words

### Quran 10:23

There is only brief enjoyment in this worldly life, then to Us is your return, and then We will inform you of what you used to do.

Be Akhirah Focused

Reduce Distractions

*( If you are in need of some soulfood, join us @ [our weekly Quran Tadarus!](#) )*

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*With that, I hope you guys have enjoyed Closer.*

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